during the last two years had been as under:—

(million tonnes)

	1994-95	1995-96
Opencast	179.35	196.06
Underground	69.37	67.99
Total:	248.72	264.05

Grade-wise details are as under:—

(million tonnes)

	1994-95	1995-96
Coking Coal	37.44	34.63
Non-Coking		
Grade A	4.13	4.76
B	20.45	20.22
C	47.17	53.65
D	33.55	37.10
E	41.79	39.37
F	63.83	74.31
G	0.36	0.01
	211.28	229.42
Total:	248.72	264.05

(b) Investment made by CIL & SCCL since nationalisation upto 1995-96 is of the order of Rs. 22668.26 crores (provisional).

(c) and (d) According to CIL, over the years there has been steady improvement in the productivity of capital employed. The capital employed per tonne of production which was Rs. 342.50 in 1990-91 has come down to Rs. 255.90 per tonne (1990-91 prices) in 1995-96 as per provisional estimates, showing a significant improvement of 25.3% in capital productivity.

Restructuring of FIPB

806. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to restructure/revamp the Foreign Investment Promotion Board so as to encourage foreign investment, make the process of investment less painful, easier and more friendly for the NRI investors;

(b) whether Government have also decided to appoint an NRI Commission solely to look for NRI affairs; and

(c) if so, details thereof and by when the whole action is likely to be completed including issuing of guidelines which will govern all foreign investment proposals?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) Yes, Sir. The Government have recently reconstituted the Foreign Investment Promotion Board (FIPB) which would ensure quick disposal of foreign investment/NRI investment cases.

(b) There is no proposal under consideration in the Government to set up a separate NRI Commission solely to look after NRI affairs.

(c) The various policy initiative detailed in the Industrial Policy and other economic liberalisations announced by Government are aimed, *inter-alia* at making Indian Industry internationally competitive and India a destination for foreign investment. To achieve this, Government constantly reviews the policy framework amongst others for various categories & type of foreign investors & NRIs, various sectors etc., to make it more investor-friendly.

ग्रामीण और पिछड़े क्षेत्रों में आवश्यक वस्तुओं की अत्याधिक कमी

807. **श्री अजीत जोगी:** क्या नागरिक आपूर्ति, उपभोक्ता मामले और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि: